

LONG BEACH CITY COUNCIL MEETING

AUGUST 3, 2005

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ramsey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked for roll call.

ROLL CALL

Robert Strobe called roll with Mayor Ramsey, C. Cook, C. Luethe, C. Moore, C. Unruh and C. Zuern present.

INTRODUCTION

Mayor Ramsey introduced John Schelling, newly hired Community Development Director. John Schelling stated he was happy to be here and is ready to get to work.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of July 20, 2005

Payment Approval List for Warrant Registers for \$84,587.64 between 7/14 & 7/25/05

Payroll Report for Pay Period Ending 7/15, Warrants #39257-39304 \$73,591.58

C. Luethe made the motion to approve the consent agenda with C. Cook seconding the motion. 5 Ayes 0 Nays, motion passed

BUSINESS

AB 05-88 Proclamation Long Beach Lions Club 50th Anniversary

Robert Strobe read the Proclamation for the Lions Club 50th Anniversary. **C. Zuern made the motion to approve the Proclamation with C. Moore seconding the motion. 5 Ayes 0 Nays**

AB 05-89 Charter Communication Franchise Agreement

Robert Strobe gave a brief explanation of the franchise agreement. C. Cook stated his concerns about not having Channel 4, and commented that Channel 5 appears to be having the same problems and expressed his concern of not having a Washington TV station. Charter Communication representatives responded that they are still working with Channel 4 to reinstate and do not know of future plans of losing Channel 5. Discussion followed concerning programming problems and if granted a franchise how does the city direct complaints from the citizens. **C. Cook made the motion to approve the franchise agreement and authorize the Mayor to sign, with C. Unruh seconding the motion. 5 Ayes 0 Nays, motion passed.** It was brought to the attention of the

Charter Communications representatives that the property address for Ocean Park Fire Dept., in Exhibit A is outside the City of Long Beach service area.

AB 05-90 Interlocal Agreement Amendment-Coastal Communities of SW
Washington

The Interlocal Agreement Amendment is amending the agreement of November 22, 1996, which is an agreement among the coastal communities of Southwest Washington for the study and analysis of coastal processes. **Motion was made by C. Moore to approve the amendment and authorize the Mayor to sign the amendment with C. Luethe seconding the motion. 5 Ayes 0 Nays, motion passed.**

AB 05-91 Cape Columbia Presentation

Tom Downer contacted the City and asked to address the Mayor and City Council to request financial support for a survey of voters on the Cape Columbia naming proposal. It would cost in excess of \$10,000 to include the question on the Primary ballot in September. Mr. Downer is proposing to pay to obtain the list of registered voters and conduct a poll using that list. He will outline his concept and request financial support from the City of Long Beach. The Ocean Park Chamber of Commerce has already committed \$500 in support. Mr. Downer addressed the Mayor and Council and requested the City of Long Beach match the \$500 that the Ocean Park Chamber of Commerce has committed to. A representative from the Chamber and a businessman from Ocean Park spoke in favor of the survey. Milt Wadler expressed his views of not renaming the area. **C. Luethe made the motion to not fund the request with C. Unruh seconding the motion. 3 Ayes 1 Nay (Moore) 1 Abstain (Cook), motion passed.**

AB 05-92 GIS Update Agreement

This annual GIS maintenance was discussed during the budget process. This will update inaccurate or incorrect records and add new data. The new data is plat map detail for the City of Long Beach. **C. Cook made the motion to approve the agreement with C. Zuern seconding the motion. 5 Ayes 0 Nays, motion passed.**

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

C. Luethe asked about the high sales tax and Finance Director, David Glasson, explained he thought that was due to the costly construction at the school and sewer plant upgrade. C. Luethe stated the real numbers wouldn't really be sure until mid October. C. Moore reported on the police department and the manpower challenge. The department had 824 calls for Long Beach and 190 for Ilwaco for the month of July. C. Moore commented that they are busy and undermanned and doing a great job. C. Cook reported on a 3-page article on the Long Beach Peninsula in a camping magazine. Mayor Ramsey reported on the dedication of the Kelso Monument and thanked the council members that were able to attend. Mayor Ramsey also reported that he and Robert Strobe went over the

applications for the police openings. Chief Wright explained the process that will follow before the hiring occurs. C. Luethe suggested keeping an updated hire list if possible.

PUBLIC COMMENT

C. Moore commented that there were candidates for the upcoming vacancies on the council in the audience, and thought they should introduce themselves. C. Moore also commented that city hall needs fixing and suggested the candidates as well as the council hold a work party to paint. Betty Ahern, a candidate for Position #4, introduced herself followed by Jerry Phillips, Jonathan Woodward, and Diana Tehrani, all candidates for Position #5. Milt Wadler felt that having holes dug in the beach that fill up with water is still a good idea. C. Moore and C. Unruh felt they are still dangerous and not a good idea.

ADJOURN

C. Zuern made the motion to adjourn with C. Cook seconding the motion. 5 Ayes 0 Nays

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk